



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

December 27, 2013

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from December 20, 2013 – December 26, 2013. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information at glose@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Fraud 13-12670

300 Block Broadleaf Drive, NE

Between April 15 at 12:00 p.m. and October 22 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that he had been contacted by an agent with the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, who informed him that someone had tried to file a claim using his name and identifying information.

This case is being investigated.

Lost Property 13-12669

Giant Food Store

359 Maple Avenue, East

Between December 11 at 12:00 p.m. and December 23 at 4:15 p.m.

A citizen reported that she lost her bracelet while shopping at the Giant Food Store.

Suspicious Event 13-12531**200 Block Nutley Street, NW****Between December 15 at 6:10 a.m. and December 20 at 6:15 a.m.**

A citizen reported that while walking in the area the driver of a pickup truck flashed his headlights on her and then drove off after she passed. She stated this has happened on more than one occasion.

The citizen requested that extra patrols be in the area during those times of day.

Attempted Burglary 13-12597**Virginia Dental Care Office****301 Maple Avenue, West****Suite 300****Between December 16 at 7:00 p.m. and December 21 at 2:00 p.m.**

An employee reported that when she arrived at work she discovered damage to the front door lock. The lock was damaged to the point that the door could not be unlocked and the employee could not enter her office.

A locksmith was contacted to open the door. The employee entered the business and stated that nothing appeared to have been out of place.

Lost Property 13-12638**Giant Food Store****359 Maple Avenue, East****December 18 2:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that she lost her wallet while shopping at the Giant Food Store. She stated she believed she had left the wallet at the Customer Service Center however when she returned to look for her wallet it was gone.

Petit Larceny 13-12729**500 Block Orchard Street, NW****Between December 19 at 9:00 a.m. and December 26 at 5:14 p.m.**

A resident reported that a package had been delivered to her home and placed on her front porch. She stated someone had taken the package before she was able to take it inside.

Grand Larceny 13-12642**200 Block Walnut Lane, NW****Between December 19 at 12:00 p.m. and December 22 at 1:31 p.m.**

A resident reported that someone had taken a cord of wood and a ladder from outside the rear of his garage.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 13-12518**Maple Avenue at Park Street, NE****December 20 3:04 a.m.**

Officer Tracy was on patrol and observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic violation. Officer Tracy conducted a traffic stop and upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment.

After failing to complete several field sobriety tests Officer Tracy arrested Mr. Nelson Abel Sosa-Barahona, 21, of East Laurel Avenue in Sterling, Virginia for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Sosa-Barahona was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was provided the opportunity to submit to an analysis of his breath. After the analysis he was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Sosa-Barahona was held on a \$1,500 bond.

Police Service 13-12647**1200 Block Kelley Street, SW****Between December 20 at 9:00 a.m. and December 22 at 4:21 p.m.**

A citizen reported that he lost his iPhone and believed it may have been found by someone in the 1200 block of Kelley Street, SW.

Officer Holcombe responded and located an individual who stated he found the iPhone and did not know how to return it to the rightful owner.

Officer Holcombe was able to reunite the iPhone with its owner.

Suspicious Event 13-12533**Cedar Lane School****101 Cedar Lane, SW****December 20 12:00 p.m.**

An employee reported that he observed a female student put something that resembled marijuana down the front of her pants. The student left the school grounds prior to the arrival of the police.

Officers from the Town of Vienna and Fairfax County searched the area for the student however she returned to the school before they were able to locate her.

After returning to the school officers were unable to locate any marijuana in her possession.

The school will be handling the punishment for leaving the school grounds.

Larceny 13-12547
Islamic Heritage Center
262 Cedar Lane, SE
Suite A-3

December 20 2:45 p.m.

An employee reported that two females and three males entered the center and absconded with the donation box containing an undetermined amount of cash.

This case is being investigated.

Petit Larceny 13-12594
400 Block Glyndon Street, SE
December 20 between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

A resident reported that she had packages delivered to her home. The packages were placed on her front porch and before she was able to take them inside someone had taken them.

Missing Person – Adult 13-12591
700 Block Ware Street, SW
Between December 20 at 8:00 p.m. and December 21 at 11:03 a.m.

A resident reported that she had not been able to make contact with her daughter and she had not shown up for work at her scheduled time.

After making the initial police report the mother contacted Officer Digan and informed him that she had spoken with her daughter who stated she had spent the night in Loudoun County and was unable to telephone her mother.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 13-12566
Upham Place at Lawyers Road, NW
December 20 11:20 p.m.

Officer Kiley was on patrol when he observed the driver of a vehicle commit a traffic offense. Officer Kiley conducted a traffic stop and upon his interaction with the driver he detected the signs of possible impairment. After failing to complete several field sobriety tests he arrested Mr. Roger Eugene Riggs, 65, of 13th Street, North in Naples, Florida for Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Riggs was transported to the Vienna Police Station where he was provided the opportunity to provide a sample of his breath for an analysis. After the analysis Mr. Riggs was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Mr. Riggs was to be held until he was sober.

Narcotics Violation 13-12578

CVS

337 Maple Avenue, SE

December 21 4:22 a.m.

An employee reported that a man had entered the store purchased several items and then went into the restroom. The employee stated the man had locked himself in the restroom for more than 45 minutes and would not open the door at the request of the employees.

Officer Reedy responded and after removing the door from the door frame he was able to locate the man who was lying on the floor. The man was unable respond to verbal or physical commands.

Fairfax County Rescue personnel responded and transported the man to an area hospital for treatment where it was determined that he may have ingested an illegal narcotic.

This case is being investigated.

Arrest – Trespassing 13-12607

Yeonas Park

1319 Ross Drive, SW

December 21 9:28 p.m.

MPO Seitz was on patrol when he located a vehicle parked in the parking lot at Yeonas Park, in violation of the No Trespassing after Dark Ordinance.

MPO Seitz identified the individuals in the vehicle and determined that one of the individuals had been previously warned of the No Trespassing Ordinance. MPO Seitz issued a summons to Mr. Joseph Michael Ruffolo, 18, of Cottage Street in Vienna for Trespassing.

Mr. Ruffolo was released after signing the summons.

Narcotics Violation 13-12618

600 Block Upham Place, NW

December 21 11:53 p.m.

Sgt. Juelharte conducted a traffic stop. Upon her interaction with the driver and the occupants she discovered the odor of marijuana. After further interaction she determined that one of the juvenile occupants was in possession of marijuana.

The juvenile's father was contacted and responded to take his son home.

This case is being investigated.

Natural Death 13-12637
600 Block Gibson Drive, SW
December 22 9:30 a.m.

A resident reported that her husband was in need of medical attention. Officer Holcombe and Fairfax County Rescue personnel responded and transported the husband to an area hospital where doctors determined he had deceased.

Suspicious Event 13-12673
300 Block Maple Avenue, West
December 23 between 9:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

An employee reported that she had returned to her office to find that someone had left a McDonald's fountain drink and the office had the odor of cigarettes. The employee stated that there is an office policy that forbids smoking or drinking in the office space.

The employee spoke with other employees that were present when she arrived and they denied ownership of the fountain drink and none of the employees smoke.

The employee stated that nothing else appeared to be out of place in the office.

Arrest – Drunk in Public 13-12667
Park Street at Church Street, NE
December 23 2:35 p.m.

MPO Shaw responded for the report of an individual who was staggering in and out of traffic and may have been intoxicated. Upon his arrival MPO Shaw approached the individual and determined he was intoxicated and arrested Mr. Felipe Lemus-Nolasco, 34, of Patrick Street in Vienna for Drunk in Public.

Mr. Lemus-Nolasco was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was to be held until he was sober.

Found Property 13-12668
200 Block Locust Street, SE
December 23 3:49 p.m.

A resident responded to the Vienna Police Station to turn in three cans of pepper spray that had been found.

The pepper spray will be held at the Vienna Police Station until it can be destroyed.

Open Door 13-12675**400 Block East Street, SE****December 23 10:36 p.m.**

An alarm company reported that a residential alarm had been activated.

Sgt. Juelharte responded and located an unsecured door leading into the residence. The residence was searched and nothing appeared to be out of place or missing.

The homeowner was contacted and informed of the incident.

Medical Case 13-12678**200 Block Locust Street, SE****December 23 11:21 p.m.**

A resident reported that her husband had fallen and she was unable to help him up.

PFC Myers responded and was met by members of the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue. Rescue personnel assisted the husband in getting him into his chair and then evaluated him for injuries.

They determined he did not require further medical care.

Petit Larceny 13-12694**200 Block Locust Street, SE****Between December 24 at 3:17 p.m. and December 25 at 4:31 a.m.**

A resident reported that he had made a purchase through Amazon.com. He followed the status of the delivery using the UPS Tracking Service and was informed the packages had been delivered however he was unable to find them.

The resident contacted other tenants in the building and no one has seen the packages.

Natural Death 13-12689**200 Block Locust Street, SE****December 24 9:55 p.m.**

A resident reported that she returned from work and found her deceased husband in the bedroom.

A detective will follow up with this case.

Vandalism 13-12709**100 Block Saint Andrews Drive, NE****December 25 between 12:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that two tires on his vehicle and one tire on his daughter's vehicle had been slashed. The resident stated this happened on two previous occasions.

This case is being investigated.

Found Property 13-12706
400 Block Center Street, North
December 25 3:46 p.m.

A citizen reported that a bicycle had been abandoned on the W&OD Trail.

The bicycle will be held at the Vienna Police Station until the owner can be identified.

Trespassing 13-12707
7-11
537 Maple Avenue, NW
December 25 5:16 p.m.

Sgt. Farhan was on patrol when he observed an individual on the property of the 7-11 who had been previously informed that if he returned to the 7-11 he would be charged with Trespassing.

Sgt. Farhan approached the individual and reminded him of the previous conversation and that if he did not leave the property he would be charged with Trespassing.

The individual agreed to heed Sgt. Farhan's instructions and left the area.

Vandalism 13-12726
300 Block Maple Avenue, West
December 26 between 9:00 a.m. and 2:26 p.m.

A citizen reported that while she was at a dentist appointment an unknown person scratched the driver's side of her vehicle with what appeared to be a key.

CRASHES

Park Street at Locust Street, SE 13-12519
December 20 6:51 a.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Locust Street, SE and stopped for the stop sign at Park Street, SE.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling north bound on Park Street, SE and attempted to make a left turn onto Locust Street and struck the first vehicle.

Maple Avenue near Glyndon Street, NE 13-12353
December 20 1:45 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue, NE.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue, NE in the adjacent lane to the first vehicle. The driver of the second vehicle attempted to change lanes and struck the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was charged with Unsafe Lane Change.

Maple Avenue at James Madison Drive, West 13-12551**December 20 8:27 p.m.**

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling east bound on Maple Avenue approaching the intersection with James Madison Drive, West.

The driver of the second vehicle was attempting to make a left turn from James Madison Drive onto Maple Avenue, NW and struck the first vehicle.

Center Street at Cherry Street, SE 13-12652**December 22 10:19 p.m.**

The driver of the first vehicle was attempting to make a left turn from Center Street onto Cherry Street, SE.

The driver of the second vehicle was attempting to make left turn from Cherry Street onto Center Street, SE and collided with the first vehicle.

Maple Avenue at Glyndon Street, NE 13-12663**December 23 9:47 a.m.**

The driver of the first vehicle was traveling north bound on Glyndon Street and attempting to traverse the intersection at Maple Avenue, NE.

The driver of the second vehicle was traveling west bound on Maple Avenue and stated he did not realize the traffic light had turned red and struck the first vehicle.

The driver of the second vehicle was charged with Disregard a Traffic Signal.

CASE UPDATES

None.

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

OF INTEREST/ CITIZEN NOTES

Note to Citizens: *Please remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, lock the vehicle doors.*

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Citizens are reminded to **PLEASE** call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something!
We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.

Please contact MPO Gary Lose for further information on any of these cases at glose@viennava.gov or 703-255-6396.